

## INDIAN CLAIM CASE GOES UP IN SMOKE

Local People Lose Some Thousands in Real Money and a Million or so in Prospects.

## SUPREME COURT HAS GIVEN ADVERSE DECISION

Ruling of Oklahoma Circuit Judge in Choctaw-Chicasaw Proceeding. Costs of Which Newport News People Helped Pay, Sustained—It Was a Fifty-to-One Shot.

About forty thousand dollars in real money, and a million or so in prospects that were considered fine for a fifty to one shot, were charged to the account of experience by several scores of Newport News people yesterday, when news came that the Supreme Court of the United States had decided adversely in a certain case involving claims of the Choctaw and Chicasaw Indians.

The news of such extraordinary local interest is contained in the following Associated Press dispatch:

**Opinion by Justice Holmes.**  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 8.—In an opinion by Justice Holmes, the Supreme Court of the United States today decided against the complainants in the case of the 13,000 Choctaw and Chicasaw Indians who asked for redress for being excluded from the citizenship rolls of those nations when they were prepared by Secretary Hitchcock, of the Interior department on March 4, 1907.

### Sensational Charges.

The suit was instituted by one J. E. Flemming in the United States Circuit Court for the Eastern District of Oklahoma and was very sensational in its charges. It was alleged among other things, that citizenship rolls had been prepared on fraudulent lists; that the citizenship court had been bribed; that \$150,000 had been paid to the Oklahoma legal firm of Mansfield, McMurray & Cornish as the result of unlawful connivance, and that notwithstanding these charges had been brought to the attention of Secretary Garfield, he had failed to investigate them.

It was also asserted that the secretary had withdrawn vast areas of land for reservation purposes and for other uses contrary to law.

### Money Advanced for Costs.

For about two years Mr. J. W. Ayler, Jr., of this city, has been in Oklahoma representing the interests of Newport News people who advanced money to assist in defraying the cost of fighting the claims of the Choctaws and Chicasaws, upon an agreement by which they were to receive a percentage of the amount secured by the Indians in the event the case was won. Fifteen thousand dollars was advanced here originally, and when the case was lost in the lower court more was subscribed. The amounts ranged from \$25 upward, and it is said that one or two well known business men contributed to the extent of a thousand dollars or so each. All kinds of people were in it, from clerks and mechanics to bank presidents and prominent lawyers.

### Accepted Philosophically.

Though nobody here loses enough sure-enough cash to make him feel terribly downhearted over the result—the total amount being well divided up between many—it is rather distressing to see the glorious prospects go up in smoke. However, nobody expects fifty-to-one shots to be certainties, and the long chances were better appreciated by most of those who put their money into the proposition.

Those interested in the scheme seem to think that the decision of the Supreme Court ends the fight, although it is said that an effort will be made during the coming session of congress to get through some kind of legislation bearing on the case.

### STEEL LOCKERS FOR Y. M. C. A.

Improvement to be Made in Association Dressing Room.

Orders have been placed for about fifty new steel lockers by the officials of the Young Men's Christian Association and as soon as they arrive will be installed in the dressing rooms of the association building.

These lockers will be of a new patented pattern and will be a great improvement to the facilities of the association.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Second Presbyterian church will give a progressive dinner in the church parlors, Twenty-fourth St. and Chestnut Ave. Tuesday evening, November 9th, from 6 until 11 p. m. Dinner, 25c. something new.

## PILES

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## SOCIAL-PERSONAL

Miss Rena Barker, of Washington, D. C., is visiting relatives in this city.

Rev. and Mrs. J. T. Moore, of Whitwell, Va., are the guests of Mrs. Moore's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. William Davis, at their home on Twenty-eighth street.

Mrs. E. Brown Crafford, of Portsmouth, is visiting friends in this city.

Mrs. W. R. Jennings has returned from a visit to friends in Richmond.

Miss Grace Baker, who has been the guest of her cousins, the Misses Baker, on Jefferson avenue for several weeks, has returned to her home.

Miss Chloe Lackey, of Lackey, Va., is the guest of Mrs. H. Howard, on the Boulevard.

Mr. J. J. Brightwell, of Danville, is the guest of his sister, Mrs. J. H. McDaniel, at her home on Twenty-eighth street.

Miss E. B. Charles, of Denbigh, Va., who has been the guest of friends in this city for several weeks, returned home yesterday.

Mrs. Kersey, Mrs. McCreary and Miss Ellen Kersey, of Richmond, are the guests of Mrs. T. F. Stearnes on West avenue.

Miss Helen Batte, of Prince George county, is visiting Mrs. J. B. L. Marsden in North End.

Mr. and Mrs. William Jackson Tignor, who were married last week at the bride's home on the Eastern Shore, have returned from a trip through the North and are at home to their friends at 3004 West avenue.

Mr. Leroy Jenkins was called to his old home in Gloucester county yesterday by news of the serious illness of his mother.

## GOVERNMENT MAKING SURVEY OF THE RIVER

Coast and Geodetic Survey Steamer Endeavor, With Engineers Aboard, Arrives in Port.

The United States coast and geodetic survey steamer Endeavor, under command of Captain J. B. Boutwell with a force of engineers on board arrived in port yesterday, and the engineers immediately commenced a survey of the James river from this city to Richmond.

The last survey of the river was made about thirty years ago and since that time the soundings have changed greatly, so that it was decided to make another survey for the benefit of mariners.

While engaged in the work connected with the survey the Endeavor will make her headquarters in this city touching here at intervals for supplies and mail.

The Endeavor is one of the oldest vessels in the geodetic service. She was constructed at the Portsmouth Navy yard in 1862 for use as a Confederate gunboat. She was captured shortly afterwards by the federal forces and has remained the property of the United States government ever since.

### CAUGHT PAWNING REVOLVER.

Negro is Accused of Stealing Pistol From Revolver Home.

Peter Boykin, alias Johnnie Smith, a negro, was arrested yesterday afternoon by Detective Sergeant Bridges and locked up in the police station, charged with the larceny of a revolver valued at \$15, the property of Mr. Harry Reyer.

It is charged that Boykin entered the Reyer residence and after stealing the revolver tried to pawn it for \$2. The pawn broker becoming suspicious, notified the police department, and Sergeant Bridges picked the negro up.

### To Our Many Friends

Who showed such generous sympathy in the last hour of our bereavement and who we are not able to meet personally, we will resort to this method with your privilege, of expressing our sincere thanks for your loving remembrance during the sickness and death of our dear father.

We thank you one and all. Yours respectfully, Wife and Family, Mrs. Robt. Smith, 215 Forty-third street.

### A Scalded Boy's Shriek

horrified his grandmother, Mrs. Martha Taylor, of Nebo, Ky., who writes that, when all thought he would die. Bucklen's Arnica Salve wholly cured him. Infallible for Burns, Scalds, Cuts, Corns, Wounds, Bruises, Cures Fever Sores, Bolls, Skin Eruptions, Chills, Chapped Hands, Sore Throat, Piles, 25c. at Academy Pharmacy Co., Petrol's Drug Co.

### NOTICE.

Last Ball of the season held at Barnes' Hall Thursday evening, Nov. 11th, 8 to 12. Given under the auspices of Eagle Engine Co. No. 2.

## CONFERENCE TOMORROW

Delegates Already Arriving for Great Methodist Gathering.

## BISHOP MORRISON IN CITY

Unusually Large Attendance May Overtax Committee on Accommodations, and Rev. Mr. Dadmun Has Asked for Volunteers.

What promises to be one of the most largely attended and interesting annual conferences of the Virginia Methodist church, South, ever held will convene in this city at the Trinity Methodist church tomorrow morning at 9:30 o'clock.

About one hundred of the delegates have already arrived and it is expected that many more will reach the city during today and tonight.

Bishop H. C. Morrison, who will preside at the conference, arrived in the city last night and is now quartered at the Warwick Hotel.

The most important question to come before the conference will be the control of the Randolph-Macon system of colleges and quite a lively discussion is expected to take place when the question is taken up.

A large number of the delegates have secured accommodations in this city, but it is feared that on account of the unusually large attendance, there will be some difficulty in entertaining them, so Rev. E. T. Dadmun, pastor of the Trinity Methodist church, is asking those citizens who will volunteer to entertain one or more delegates to notify him as soon as convenient.

The session of the conference will begin with a communion service presided over by Bishop Morrison, after which the roll of the conference will be called and the regular order of business taken up.

As usual, the assignment of pastors will be announced at the closing session of the conference. This is probably the most interesting of all the important matters acted upon by the body.

### NEGRO PAINFULLY HURT.

C. & O. Employee Has Legs Mashed Between Float and Pier.

Henry Lipscomb, a negro employed by the Chesapeake & Ohio Railroad, in the department of floating property was severely injured about 6:30 o'clock last night, at the foot of Eighteenth street, having his legs mashed between a car float and the slip.

The man was assisting in docking a car float in the slip when in some way he slipped down between the boat and the bulkhead and had both legs badly mashed just above the knees.

He was taken to St. Francis Hospital immediately after the accident where he was reported as resting easily at late hour last night. His legs were not broken, it was stated at the hospital last night, and the injuries are not considered dangerous.

### SIGNS UP FOR TWO MATCHES.

Zello Will Meet Schultz Here Before Going to Jacksonville.

E. Zello, "the strong man," who is now located in this city, has signed articles of agreement for two wrestling matches to be pulled off within the space of four days, the first one to occur at the Academy of Music in this city on the night of November 23 with Eddie Schultz, who claims the light heavyweight championship of Virginia. The second is scheduled for the Duval Theater, Jacksonville, with Charles Lenhardt, of that city.

The first contest in which Zello will engage with Schultz will be a straight catch-as-catch-can, best two out of three falls, and as Schultz weighs 180 pounds while Zello will weigh in at 158 pounds, the contest should give the local man an excellent opportunity to show his skill at the game.

The second match which will be pulled off in Jacksonville under the auspices of the Grand Military Carnival Association in connection with a big military carnival to be held there will be a mixed Græco-Roman and catch-as-catch-can, best two out of three falls, and as both men will weigh in at 158 pounds the contest should prove a good one as Lenhardt claims to be the middleweight Græco-Roman champion of the world.

### Forced Into Exile.

Wm. Upchurch, of Glen Oak, Okla., was an exile from home. Mountain air, he thought, would cure a frightful lung-racking cough that had defied all remedies for two years. After six months he returned, death dogging his steps. "Then I began to use Dr. King's New Discovery," he writes, "and after taking six bottles I am as well as ever." It saves thousands yearly from desperate lung diseases, infallible for Coughs and Colds, it dispels Hoarseness and Sore Throat, Cures Grip, Bronchitis, Hemorrhages, Asthma, Croup, Whooping Cough, Sore and \$1.00, trial bottle free, guaranteed by Academy Pharmacy Co., Petrol's Drug Co.

## PEARSE APPEAL CASE COMES UP THIS WEEK

Judge Barham Will Pass Upon Mayor Jones' Action in Dismissing Engineer.

Judge Barham convened the Corporation Court for the November term yesterday morning. This is the regular civil term of the court, and the judge set for trial a number of civil cases.

The appeal of City Engineer T. E. Pearse, who was dismissed from office by Mayor Jones on charges of neglect of duty and misconduct in office recently, will be heard by Judge Barham one day this week. Mr. Pearse was granted a fifteen day stay of judgment in order to prosecute his appeal, and is holding his office pending final disposition of the case in the corporation court.

City Attorney J. A. Maselle will appear to represent the city and uphold the mayor's position, and Mr. O. D. Batchelor will represent Mr. Pearse. Judge Barham's decision will be final. The charter gives the engineer the right to appeal from action of the mayor.

### ALDERMEN MEET TONIGHT.

Not Many Matters on Calendar—Common Council.

The board of aldermen will meet in regular session tonight. There are not many matters of business to come before the body, the common council having failed to hold its regular meeting last Tuesday night on account of the election. The lower branch's docket has nothing of particular importance on it, and it is probable that no special session will be called until the Cox case is disposed of in the police court and the body is ready to finish its investigation into the conduct of the councilman from the Second ward.

### MR. AND MRS. MOORE LEAVE.

Former Manager of Warwick Goes to Take Charge of His Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Moore and their little daughter, Elizabeth, left yesterday for Staunton, where they will make their home in the future. Mr. Moore was manager of the Hotel Warwick for a number of years and was one of the city's popular and progressive young business men. Both he and Mrs. Moore are popular socialists.

Mr. Moore is proprietor of the Beverly and Virginia Hotels at Staunton, and is going there to assume active management of these hostleries.

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